

Tobacco Dealers

Tobacco Dealer's License

Any business that offers tobacco, tobacco products or tobacco related devices to the public requires a license. New tobacco dealer's licenses cannot be issued to any business in the C-1 Zoning District. License applications are available on our website:

www.minneapolismn.gov/business-licensing



Tobacco Products or Tobacco Related Devices

A tobacco product or device is anything related with the use of tobacco. This includes: cigarettes, cigars, snuff, hookah tobacco (narghile, arghile, shisha, hubbel-bubble and goza), pipes, rolling papers, rolling machines, tobacco scales, electronic cigarettes, nicotine-based electronic-cigarettes, lobelia-based electronic cigarettes (such as the *e-mystick*), and products like nicotine-laced water, for example.



Tobacco Products Shops

Exclusive Tobacco Shops are businesses that derive more than ninety percent (90%) of gross revenue from tobacco products or devices.



Prohibitions

1. Sale of tobacco products or tobacco related devices to minors
All tobacco dealers licensed in the City of Minneapolis will be checked
annually to ensure they are not providing tobacco products to minors.
Penalties can be increased in extenuating circumstances.

Violation	Store Fine	Suspension	Clerk Fine
1 st	\$200		\$50
2 nd	\$400		\$50
3 rd	\$800	30 Days	\$50
4 th	\$1,600	One Year	\$50

2. Self service sales of tobacco products or devices

Tobacco products or devices cannot be placed in displays or sit on counters/shelves for the public to obtain themselves, for example.

- 3. Free distribution or samples of tobacco products or devices
- 4. Sale of single cigarettes
- 5. Smoking on the premises

What Happens If You Are in Violation

- 1. Expect a letter, telephone call, or visit from a License Inspector describing the complaint or violation.
- 2. Take this notice seriously. Call your Inspector for information or solutions.
- 3. Failure to comply with violation orders may result in citations, fines, suspensions, and/or revocation of your license to operate.

Questions? Give us a call: 612-673-3000 or 311

For more information in other languages: Yog xav paub tshaj nos ntxiv, hu 612-673-2800. Macluumaad dheeri ah, kala soo xiriir 612-673-3500. Para mas información llame al 612-673-2700.